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Dear Senator Hatfield,

This is a request for you and your staff to review the subject of Federal Communication Commission (FCC) Docket 92-235 which will have a negative effect upon the public safety radio systems which operate in Oregon. The docket is focused upon an attempt to create additional radio channels, for emergency use, by reducing power of existing frequencies.

In 1996 the FCC proposes to implement a system which will require public safety agencies (Fire, Law Enforcement, Medical and other Emergency Response systems) to deal with the following facts:

- Industry does not yet manufacture the equipment capable of meeting the proposed requirements.
- Many of Oregon's public safety radio systems will require total replacement in order to comply with the new requirements.
- With reduced power we will have to increase the amount and type of equipment in order to compensate for that reduction.
- The expense for the replacement and addition of equipment is, at least, astronomical and certainly has to be considered.

I am asking that you review FCC Docket 92-235 and that you support a delay of the implementation date until a more reasonable approach can be taken to create a solution.

Please contact me regarding this important issue. I am willing to be part of the team to deal with the issues and assist with creating a reasonable solution to this problem.

Sincerely,



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